Sharing of Intelligence Information

†3543. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Pakistan Governments have agreed to share intelligence information related to Islamic extremists;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) benefit to accrue to India from sharing intelligence information on extremists between it and Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR) : (a) and (b) PM met Prime Minister of Pakistan on the sidelines of the NAM Summit in Sharm-El-Sheikh on 16-7-09 and both leaders agreed that the two countries will share real-time, credible and actionable information on any future terrorist threats.

(c) If real-time, credible and actionable information were received from Pakistan, it could be of utility in countering terrorist threats.

India Pak Joint Statement during NAM Summit

3544. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the various political parties and their leaders have expressed concern over the latest India-Pakistan joint statement issued in Egypt during the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) summit;

(b) if so, whether the Prime Minister has surrendered himself on the role in Balochistan before Pakistan and issued a statement jointly; and

(c) if so, the further reaction of Government/Prime Minister on such joint statement made during the NAM summit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR) : (a) Yes. Concerns have been expressed by some parties.

(b) No.

(c) Government's position has already been stated by the Prime Minister in Parliament on 17th July, 2009.

Visit of US Secretary of State

3545. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
SHRI N. K. SINGH :
Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.